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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION
REGION 2 (ALASKA) PUBLIC SAFETY
PLANNING COMMITTEES ANNOUNCE
REGION 2 (4.9 GHz) REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETING
AND
REGION 2 (700 MHz) REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETING

The Region 2 (Alaska) Regional Planning Committees announce two Region 2 Public Safety planning meetings.

On Tuesday, January 20, 2004, the Region 2 4.9 GHz Regional Planning Committee will convene at 1:30 p.m. at the National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center facility located at 300 C Street, Anchorage, Alaska.

Topics to be discussed will be:

1. An overview of 50 MHz of spectrum allocated to Public Safety in the 4.9 GHz band,
2. A review of FCC Docket 00-32 and the parameters outlined for agencies to operate in the 4.9 GHz band,
3. The FCC's requirement for a plan to be developed by the 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee for the implementation of 4.9 GHz spectrum in each region, and
4. Consideration for standards development in the 4.9 GHz Public Safety band.

Immediately following on Tuesday, January 20, 2004, the Region 2 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee meeting will convene at 3:00 p.m. at the National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center facility located at 3000 C Street, Anchorage, Alaska.

The agenda for this meeting includes:

1. To address the needs of the 700 MHz spectrum users including Public Safety, Public Health, and Emergency Management and Utility services and to review the regional plan as prepared by the work group, which is seeking recommendations and/or approval of their submittal,

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2. Status on the plan review process of the Region 2 700 MHz regional plan.
3. Overview of application process and coordination of 700 MHz Public Safety access via the CAPRAD database.

Each of the Region 2 Public Safety Planning Committee meetings is open to the public. All eligible public safety providers in Alaska whose sole or principal purpose is to protect the safety of life, health, or property may utilize these frequencies. It is essential that not only public safety, but all government, Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's Rules be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate and represent their agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in the planning for the use of new public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz band and 4.9 GHz band within Region 2 should plan to attend. Region 2 welcomes all interested parties to attend, participate and volunteer for committee assignments. For further information on any of the Region 2 planning meetings, please contact:

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